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Pairs: John Grogan &
Stuart O'Brien

Triples:
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Stuart O'Brien

President's Handicap:
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Club Tournament a big success

Our Ryman Healthcare sponsored Club Tournament on Saturday was a great success. While the weather was a little cool and we had a little drizzle, it was certainly "hot" on the Green. A full field of 16 teams filled all eight Rinks (Aberfeldie, Moonee Valley, Deer Park, Northern Flyers - and representatives from Sunbury, Essendon & Buckley Park) went at it across three hard fought games.



An excellent lunch was enjoyed by all, together with an extensive array of raffle prizes – and good company. At the conclusion of the matches, it was a pleasant afternoon tea and an opportunity to relax with a few drinks while presentations were made to the best winning teams in each game - and to the overall Tournament winners.

At the end of the day, it was two Aberfeldie teams which took the Tournament honours. First place, to the team of John & Lynne Grogan, with Sean Lee and Stuart O'Brien, and second place, to the team of Robin Stoddart, Ian Ferretter, Michael Bialczak and Murray Whiteway.

In winning the Tournament, John & Lynne Grogan, with Sean Lee and Stuart O'Brien became the second winners of the Laurie McDonald Memorial Shield presented by Laurie's sister, and Immediate Past Club President, Margaret Clark. Stuart becoming the first to have his name on the Shield for a second time.

Amanda Brocklebank from Ryman Healthcare with the Tournament winners (from left) – Lynne Grogan, John Grogan, Sean Lee & Stuart O’Brien.



Amanda, with Second placed team (from left) – Murray Whiteway, Michael Bialczak, Robin Stoddart & Ian Ferretter.



2022 winners of the Laurie McDonald Memorial Shield - Lynne & John Grogan, Sean Lee and Stuart O’Brien with Club President Nigel Thompson & Immediate Past President Margaret Clark after presenting the Laurie McDonald Memorial Shield on behalf of the family.

A huge “thank you” to Ryman Healthcare for its sponsorship, its gifts to participants and its donated raffle prizes, to all other raffle prize donors (and to Don Leale for his ticket salesmanship). Thanks also to everyone who assisted in organising the day, setting up, manning the Bar, helping out, packing up etc, etc, etc.

Club Pairs Championship

The Grand Final of the Club Pairs has been run and won. John Grogan & Stuart O'Brien taking out the game from Robin Stoddart & Michael Bialczak. John & Stuart generally held sway throughout, but had to, and did, fight off a number of challenges throughout the course of the game.

Congratulations to John & Stuart on their win – and to Robin & Michael on their fighting effort.

Club Minors Championship

The Grand Final of this one is scheduled for 5.30pm, this coming Friday 8 April – between Paul Ives and Warwick Robinson. Get there if you can.

Club Triples Championship

The Club Triples Championship has been rescheduled to Saturday 7 May – keep your eyes out for full details.



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Saturday Social Bowls

Social bowls on Saturday's will recommence on Saturday 9th April, 12.15pm for a 12.30pm start, for all those interested. Please note however that there will be no social bowls on Saturday 7 May, the now scheduled for the Club Triples Championship.

Club Diary

Friday 8 April – Club Minor's Championship Grand Final

Saturday 7 May – Club Triples Championship

News around the Club

Well, there certainly was news around the Club last Thursday night when we hosted a Memorial to Club President Nigel Thompson!!! The good news was that it was a "Living Memorial" put on by Bare Cremations – and no ashes were spread. The night was a great success with brilliant arrangements by Bare, including decorations, catering and a memorial cake – as well as a generous donation to the Club. Subject to any more significant breaking news in the interim, Nigel's Living Memorial will feature on Channel 10's, The Project on Thursday evening this week.

Bare's Celebrant, Daphney Adams conducted the memorial, which also featured heart felt "eulogies" from Don Leale and two of Nigel's daughters, Emma Sbizzirri and Ruby Kimber. It was a great night and, while most of us did not know what to expect, we came away with some new knowledge of Nigel – and something to think about going forward. Bare Cremations can be found at <https://bare.com.au>



*Welcome to
the Nigel
Thompson
Living
Memorial*



*Bare Celebrant
Daphney Adams tells
us the "Nigel story"*

*Amanda & Nigel with
the Memorial Cake –
how pleased was
Amanda that the
Memorial was
"Living"!!*



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